Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Tuesday 21 Dec 2021 until 23:59 on Wednesday 22 Dec 2021

Forecast Issued on Monday 20 Dec 2021 at 15:24 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low for extent of any cloud breaks on Tuesday. High for unsettled conditions to develop on Wednesday and Thursday but low confidence for detail.

Headline for Tuesday 21 Dec 2021: Cold, mainly dry and rather cloudy. Best chance of cloud breaks in the north.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 21 Dec 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
FOG	FOG	FOG					
Fog	Fog	Fog	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%

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Weather: Apart from the odd snow flurry there will be a lot of dry weather. A lot of low cloud likely, although some thinning of the cloud possible northern Argyll and southern Lochaber. Higher summits will be above the inversion and cloud free.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20%

Visibility: Poor in low cloud down to 400 metres, although the higher tops are likely to be above the cloud layer with good visibility.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	6/7 SW	5/7 W	6/7 N	4/5 N	6/7 S	6/8 NE	6/8 SW	7/9 E	8/10 SE
900	4/6 W	4/5 NW	4/6 N	3/5 N	3/5 SE	3/5 S	4/6 S	5/7 E	6/8 SE
600	3/4 NW	3/4 N	4/5 NE	4/5 NE	3/5 E	3/5 NE	3/4 S	3/5 SE	4/6 S
300	2/3 NE	2/3 NE	2/3 E	2/4 E	3/4 E	3/4 E	3/5 SE	3/6 E	4/8 SE
Glen	2/3 E	2/4 E	2/4 E	2/4 E	2/5 E	2/5 NE	2/4 E	3/6 E	3/5 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-2/-6	-3/-6	-2/-6	-3/-5	-3/-7	-3/-7	-4/-8	-5/-9	-5/-9
900	-3/-6	-3/-6	-4/-7	-4/-6	-2/-5	-3/-6	-4/-7	-5/-8	-5/-8
600	-0/-2	-0/-2	-1/-3	-1/-3	-1/-3	-1/-3	-1/-3	-2/-4	-2/-4
300	1/-0	1/-0	1/-1	0/-1	1/-1	1/-1	1/-1	0/-1	0/-2
Glen	2/0	2/0	1/-0	1/-0	2/1	1/-1	1/-1	1/-0	1/-1
Freezing Level*	500m	400m	400m	300m	300m	300m	200m	200m	100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Nil

Forecast for Wednesday 22 Dec 2021

Weather: The morning will be dry with some weak sunshine, less in the way of low cloud than of late. Rain (with some freezing rain), and snow across the east of the area, will become persistent during the afternoon and early evening before dying out towards midnight.

Maximum wind: Easterly 15 mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 50%

Visibility: Very good in the morning. Becoming poor down to 700 metres in low cloud once precipitation sets in through the afternoon.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 5 rising to 3 Celsius
At 800m: Minus 1 Celsius. Rising to plus 2 Celsius later in the west.
Freezing level: 400 metres, but rising to 1500 metres in the west.

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